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President Stimpert Implements Security Changes

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It has been nearly nine months since President Stimpert took over this summer. (Photo: hsc.edu)

On January 31st, President Larry Stimpert sent a letter to the Hampden-Sydney community detailing a number of security changes—from short to long-term—that would be taking place. The changes included such actions as minimizing unwelcome visitors, installing security cameras, and moving the police station to Fraternity Circle.

Consequently, these changes have caused some unrest among certain students.

When asked why an isolated incident would spark such dramatic security changes, Stimpert stated that that this incident was far from isolated. "Lots of students say that they don't feel comfortable on the Circle, [or] with the number of non-students present on the Circle," said Stimpert, who also mentioned that there have been many smaller conflicts on the Circle. When asked about his plans to implement security measures on campus, Stimpert replied, "We're going to do a lot better job of trying to control traffic flow into our campus. On a weekend night there's no real reason why we have to have the entrance by the Kirby Field House off by the campus gates, so we're going to barricade that on the weekends, so [traffic] will come down Atkinson Road. This will allow the police to be much more vigilant about who is actually coming in." Stimpert shared his own experience on Fraternity Circle, where he said the police expelled many minors and older members of the Farmville community.

Opinions of student leaders were mixed, but overall supportive, of these changes. Sean Walden '18, President of Alpha Chi Sigma fraternity, said that since the increase in security "I have seen less unwelcome people at parties. And I have seen police patrolling the circle more frequently throughout the night. And I think it's good, I think it helps to deter any [unwanted] activities." Aaron Kurz '18, President of Kappa Alpha fraternity, felt that the plan to curb traffic behind the en-

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Murphy, Robinson, Burns, O'Neal Win Executive Elections

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On Monday, February 27th, Hampden-Sydney students chose among candidates for the four elected executive positions: Student Body President, Student Court Chairman, College Activities Committee (CAC) Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer. Sam Murphy '18, Skyler Robinson '18, Henry O'Neal '18, and Kyle Burns '18 won their respective elections.

Student Body President

Murphy has been a Hampden-Sydney celebrity since the day he arrived on campus. Known for his enthusiasm and positive outlook, he outlasted a field of talented candidates that included Luke Bloodworth '18, Robbie Buttarazzi '18, and Phillip "PJ" Mollica '18. Murphy has not wasted any time getting acquainted with his new responsibilities; he has been meeting students, staff, faculty, and alumni for weeks, and jokes that he's already asked outgoing president Eric McDonald '17 for the latter's office space.

When it comes to plans and platforms, Murphy wants to put more power into students' hands but ensure accountability. He says that the biggest part of his responsibility will be the "people job," and he wants to make sure that students have their voices heard. The major goal of his presidency is to create something durable—a permanent attraction on campus, perhaps, or updating facilities to make a lasting impact. Murphy emphasizes that he wants to know students individually, as "knowing people's names"

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OPINION

The Trump Trickle-Down Effect: Uncertainty Breeds Uncertainty

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Staff Writer

The office of the President of the United States is the most widely venerated and trusted position in the world. As the leader of the largest economy, the president has access to an immense amount of firsthand data regarding economic prospects and plans. As the head of the Executive Branch, he has over 200 federal agencies reporting to him. As the Commander-in-Chief, he has the entirety of the United States Armed Forces reporting to him. Considering the amount of resources that the president has at his fingertips, one is forced to ask: why does our president continue to lie to the public?

President Donald Trump, in misleading the American public, continues an ignoble tradition inherited from many of his predecessors. In 2009, President Obama was awarded the "Lie of the Year" in 2009 by Politifact—an organization that fact-checks quantifiable statements made by politicians—for his promise that everyone could keep their doctors and plans under the then-brand-new "Obamacare" plan. But Trump seems already to have made an early grab at the same ignominious crown. What is more, there is something distinctly worrying about Trump's brand of falsehoods and their incredible frequency.

On January 14, President Trump told the Washington Post in a phone interview that "We're going to have insurance for everybody…There was a philosophy in some circles that if you can't pay for it, you don't get it. That's not going to happen with us." He has claimed that people covered under the law "can expect to have great health care. It will be in a much simplified form. Much less expensive and much better."

While statements like these, which Trump made consistently and repeatedly in his early days as president and the days before he took office, promise a vision of public healthcare at least as comprehensive as Obamacare, the reality of the situation is that the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) believes that "in 2018, 14 million more people would be uninsured under the legislation than under current law." While the CBO has miscalculated numerous estimates, including the extent of Obamacare's coverage, this is a damning prediction of the Republican's new healthcare plan. Regardless of one's thoughts on the extent of healthcare coverage that the federal government should provide, the fact of the matter is that Trump has repeatedly made statements about healthcare that are not only false, but disingenuous.

Healthcare is not the only subject on which Trump has mislead his constituents. President Trump's tweets have recently been the subject of widespread controversy, claiming that then-President Obama wiretapped his phone, stating quite matter-of-factly that three million illegals voted in the general election, and alleging that the Clinton campaign colluded with the Russians. These tweets fly in the face of the testimonies of the NSA director Michael Rodgers and FBI director James Comey's sworn statements in Congress that there is evidence for no such wiretaps, that British agency GCHQ intelligence did not—as Trump's White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer claimed—spy on Trump for Obama, and that it was the Trump campaign that the FBI was currently investigating for its close ties with Russia; not the Clinton campaign. No evidence has been provided to support any of the President's claims.

President Trump seems to despise the advice and expertise of his employees who are professionals in the intelligence and defense communities, himself opting instead to replace numerous intelligence advisors with his chief strategist, Steve Bannon (a move that he later reversed after it was rumored the President was not aware of the contents of the executive order that authorized the switch). Trump's head of the EPA, Scott Pruitt, recently stated his belief that carbon dioxide is the not leading factor in climate change, representing a resurgent push back against climate regulations. Pruitt's statements, however, seem to be out of touch with the facts, and with NASA's page on climate change, and are representative of an ever-growing, increasingly disconcerting Trump-trope, that the American people can no longer trust the word of once-trustworthy institutions; the Trump Administration's ethos is, sure-

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Opinion Cont.

ly, entirely one of distrust that maintains the existence of truth-obscuring political agendas that affect the broadest varieties of issues (even well-founded, apolitical climate change).

The office of the presidency is where Americans look for leadership, truth, and strength. President Trump, sadly, has not embodied those qualities thus far. If this is a status quo to which Americans need to become accustomed, it is a worrying status quo, indeed. Already, federal agencies have become used to working around the president, rather than with him. Our allies are routinely reassured, and then are routinely shocked, by comments our president makes concerning our nation's alliances. Republican leadership has shown an unseen trend of working around the truth, and have so far neglected to defend honesty as so many other great Americans have. How far must we have come from the man who could not even lie to his father about chopping down a cherry tree, to a man who can't even tell the truth about a public fact?

Academic Masterplan Update

Stevens (Photo: hsc.edu)

David Bushhouse '19
News Editor

The new Academic Masterplan is nearing completion. As of right now, the Academic Masterplan Committee is working with about 35 promising proposals, all submitted by faculty, for various ways to improve the academic program here at HSC.

There are proposals for different programs, new core requirements, new required classes for all freshmen, new centers of excellence, and even changes to the academic calendar to offer new opportunities. However, since the proposals have not been finalized or brought to a vote, the Committee has not released any specifics.

Once in their final forms, proposals will be brought to the Board of Trustees, who will vote on them just a few days before commencement. After that, an Implementation Committee will take over, sending the approved proposals through various faculty committees for final adjustments, after which the faculty at large will vote on the final approval of each one. Provost Dr. Dennis Stevens reassured that "we won't necessarily have all 35 get that far, but they'll all get good consideration."

One especially strong proposal, the Biochemistry Major, has already been fast-tracked and approved by the faculty. "[Biochemistry is] an important addition to our curriculum that allows our students to get training in a field that is rapidly emerging and very relevant to where research and jobs are going," Elliot Associate Professor of Biology Dr. Michael Wolyniak said.

Stevens, who came up with the idea for the Academic Masterplan, told me that the Masterplan has two main goals: allow the faculty to have its vision reflected in the academic program, and bolster recruitment and retention. "It's a combination of the faculty trying to determine how it wants to make the best academic program possible, and also to be helpful for the college to recruit students, and to retain students," Stevens said.

Since there has never been a Masterplan before, the Committee has been inundated by a flurry of "really interesting proposals." Stevens attributes this to the fact that "everybody is so busy trying to teach one's classes well and create papers that it's nice to step back and say, 'what do we think about the whole program?'" These proposals will likely shape only the next five years of the HSC academic program, says Stevens, "because it's hard to look further than that, especially when you're coming up with very practical proposals."

Meanwhile, the student body waits expectantly for new details about the Academic Masterplan, and even more expectantly for the end of Spring Semester.

Tiger Reviews

Logan

★★★★☆

The superhero genre in film, up to this point, has been characterized almost exclusively by PG-13 milquetoast that, while undoubtedly entertaining, has lacked any real intellectual meaning. In this regard, the film *Logan* presents new territory for the genre.

I saw this film with my mother, and while I loved it, she said, and I quote, "It was fine." But why the differing responses to the film? One could chalk it up to differences in taste, especially regarding the violence, which was excessive and graphic, but I think there is another factor. You see, I have seen every X-Men movie, from Bryan Singer's debut for the mutants, to the film that preceded *Logan*—and disappointed some viewers, myself included. My mom on the other hand, has seen a total of zero X-Men movies, and almost as few superhero movies in general. She was a real trooper for going with me. I think this is the real reason why the movie fell flat for her. The film does not hold our hand. There is no needless exposition. It tells this story, and this story alone. On its own, a powerful tale; however, in the context of all the time we, as an audience, have spent with Hugh Jackman's Wolverine, the narrative is given a tremendous weight. The idea at the core of *Logan* is, "what happens to superheroes after the story is over, or after they've lost their powers." A melancholy hangs over the film, as director James Mangold, rather than the struggle for silence in most superhero flicks, revels in it—much like Scorsese's appreciation of silence in the film Raging Bull.

This theme is explored when Wolverine finding a new purpose in a young girl by the name of Laura. Laura is played by Dafne Keen in a breakout performance that cannot be understated. It is subtle and well defined—I look forward to seeing more of her in the future. From the old guard, only three mutants remain at this point in the X-Men timeline, Wolverine, Professor X(Patrick Stewart), and Caliban (Stephen Merchant). For Jackman and Stewart, *Logan* was a farewell for two beloved characters, and I cannot recall a swansong ever sounding so sweetly. Each actor brought everything they had to this film, and it shows.

Merchant's performance is worth noting as well, for it was entirely unexpected. He delivers a performance that ranges from awkwardly hilarious to hackneyed badass with relatively little screen time, a feat that bodes well for any other ventures into the realm of drama. I have always said that comedians are underappreciated in terms of acting skill, and this provides ample ammo for any further argument I have on the subject.

As a whole, the film is almost perfect. It drags a little in places, but makes up for it in terms of the action sequences. I used the adjective "real" earlier in the review and I want to highlight this once more. *Logan* has a realism, in terms of story and in terms of action, that is endlessly refreshing. Last year, *Deadpool* reflected on the genre through satire and received rave reviews. This year, *Logan* reflected on the genre through honesty and achieved near perfection.

-Robert Morris '20
Tiger Film Critic

Passengers

★★★☆☆

Passengers is largely a romance film, so if you don't like romances, this movie probably isn't for you. With that said, it has its fair share of humor, most of which comes courtesy of Chris Pratt, who stars as a mechanical engineer named Jim Preston.

Awakened early from his stasis pod, Jim faces a lonely 90-year voyage aboard the *Avalon,* a corporate-owned colony ship bound for a star system 120 years away. He's joined by a writer named Aurora Lane, played by Jennifer Lawrence, and a robotic bartender played by Michael Sheen. No other characters have substantial screen time.

The romance between Pratt and Lawrence is entertaining, though often predictable, and the *Avalon* provides plenty of sci-fi window dressing. The futuristic mingles with the familiar; however, as the interior of the ship strongly resembles that of a cruise liner, featuring shops, restaurants, swimming pools, and the like. Along with the compelling performances of Pratt and Lawrence, the setting serves to make the film feel at once both fantastical and grounded.

Many reviews of Passengers are slamming it for a particular pivotal event (which I won't spoil here) that occurs early on in, and sets the course of, the movie. While I will agree that the scene in question is distasteful, there's nothing wrong at all with a film exploring the shadier side of human behavior; in fact, it's somewhat refreshing. That scene is exemplary of a darker, more serious tone that is present at spots in this sci-fi romance – the sort of writing that forces the audience to pause and consider the moral implications of what they have just witnessed.

Unfortunately, that sort of writing doesn't make up the bulk of the movie. As a result, *Passengers* is interesting, but not necessarily groundbreaking. It's entertaining and (mostly) lighthearted, and is worth a watch.

-Wes Kuegler '18

Graveyard Whistling
Old 97's

★★★☆☆

In the midst of all kinds of music being released today, it is refreshing to hear something that hearkens not only to relaxing days by the grill, but also to the days of the Old West. That is exactly what you can expect with the newest album from the Old 97's, *Graveyard Whistling.*

The Old 97's have been around since the 1990s, and they helped pioneer the alt-country movement. They bring an "in-your-face" approach with their music, and that is still the case with this new album.

The lead single, "Good With God" featuring Brandi Carlile, is a hard-hitting tale that evokes the typical Hollywood image of a lonesome ranger out West who has to defend his beliefs in a new town. It is handsdown the best song on the entire album, and it deserves more airplay on the radio. Brandi Carlile's support on the second verse gives the song a more eerie sound that complements the guitar riff that seems to have been pulled straight from a spaghetti western.

However, the rest of the album includes other catchy songs like "Bad Luck Charm" and "Drinkin' Song." "She Hates Everybody" is an excellent tune that has a counter-riff to the somber and pessimistic lyrics, practically similar to any Irish song. Speaking of irish songs, the Old 97's put their spin on an Irish style with "Irish Whiskey Pretty Girls," complete with a fiddler and lyrics about appreciating Irish whiskey and pretty women.

Overall, this album could easily fly under the radar and be underappreciated, but the Old 97's deserve more recognition. *Graveyard Whistling* is a decent addition to 2017's music library because of its unique sound from a pioneering band offering everything from joyous tunes to eerie ones. The Old 97's offer a refreshing break from what you may hear on mainstream country stations; of course they are not anything like today's country artists, but they continue to blaze their own trail in the music world.

-Spencer Connell '17

Student Elections

and the activities they are involved in both develops social networks and can help him encourage trustees, alumni, and others to commit to courses of action to benefit student life.

Robinson

Student Court Chairman

Robinson did not have opposing candidates in his election, but that's not stopping him from shooting high. He ran to uphold the Honor Code and the institutions which allow it to flourish, and he emphasizes "truth, temperance, and tolerance" as keystone virtues on this campus. In his term as chairman of the Student Court, he pledges, "I will do everything in my power to preserve and further develop transparency in the court process and our relations with both faculty and students." It is clear that Robinson is passionate about his work and values the office to which he has been elected; he says, "It is imperative that we put forth a concerted effort to protect the college, and, most importantly, the Hampden-Sydney men who comprise it."

CAC Chairman

O'Neal also ran without competition. He, too, has big ideas for the campus, although he doesn't want to give too much away. In essence, O'Neal is interested in working more with student groups and organizations outside of CAC's traditional partnership with fraternities, and he wants to see a greater variety of events planned and held through the CAC or with his organization's help.

Secretary-Treasurer

Burns faced a difficult road to election, as he needed to defeat Ryan Blush '18 and Shelby Hanna '20. Burns's experience as a student senator will surely help him as he prepares to transition to his new position, where he seeks to emphasize accountability among clubs and groups that receive funding from the College. Burns is another popular member of the campus community and he has demonstrated a willingness and a desire to chat with students about their club needs.

The Tiger wishes each of these men the best as they prepare to lead our beloved College for the upcoming year. Robinson's perspective is an encouraging one for all students to adopt. "When the results were published," he says, "I was proud and humbled to know that I would have the privilege of serving with Henry O'Neal, Kyle Burns, and Sam Murphy, Hampden-Sydney men who I look up to and hold in the highest regard. I think the student body can expect great things from us in the year to come."

Burns

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Security

trance to Kirby Field House is an unnecessary step. "There has never been any monitoring of any kind, so I don't think that entrance is particularly relevant in that conversation" Kurz said.

Stimpert stated that he realizes that he could have done a better job explaining several of his policies in the email. He hopes that all of his policies will be beneficial both to students and to our police. Regarding the four party cap, Stimpert hopes that "the parties will be even better, that more people [will] go to a smaller number of parties, and that there will be more interaction among our campus members at these parties." Stimpert added that "one of the things we didn't clarify in the email which [with which] we could have saved ourselves a lot of grief, is that we don't mean [for] that four party limit to be on big weekends like Homecoming or Macon Weekend; it was never intended that it would apply to every single weekend—just more routine weekends."

The four party cap, which has been in effect for several weeks, also required all social and theme houses to submit an event schedule for the rest of the semester to the Office of Student Affairs. Both Walden and Kurz say that they haven't noticed much of a difference since the policy came into effect. They both felt that the policy would make fraternities more aware, and force them to plan their social calendars strategically to get the best turnout. Kurz voiced a concern that due to the limited number of parties per night, parties would quickly become congest, leading to fights breaking out, which is a main reason for security being increased. "I have not noticed much of an increased security presence thus far" he said, "but I think the circle as a whole has been better about policing itself and maintaining order following a few events last semester."

Another policy that President Stimpert plans to put in place is the addition of three security cameras on campus. He stated that he has already received feedback from students who felt that this move is contrary to our Honor Code. Stimpert hopes, though, that this will actually help enforce the Code. He says that the only time it would ever be reviewed would be in case of an incident, so that there will be visual evidence to back up testimony. In an environment of trust like Hampden-Sydney, it is very easy for burglars to get away easily, especially during breaks when nobody is around. "If the cameras actually help us keep the Honor Code, that's a good thing." Stimpert said. "If the cameras are a simple deterrent, that will serve a great purpose."

Another similar preventative policy was adding card swipe locks to residence halls. Stimpert said that this is something that the College has been discussing for a long time. He says that when the Student Center opens, he wants it to be a 24/7 facility for students, but not for outsiders. Card access locks would also prevent freshmen dorms from getting trashed on football weekends, and it would make it easier to keep track of who goes in and out of fraternity houses.

"If police surveillance of who enters the Circle is combined with student-led efforts to avoid mass conflict, then I think we have a solid plan in action."

Both Walden and Kurz were supportive of means to lock fraternity houses. "I know I've heard in the past and seen even at AXE's house where on some dead weekend's people have broken into the house and taken things. I know that was a big problem last year when people were having things stolen from the house, and I think having these card readers could help a lot." Walden said. Kurz was supportive of more easily securing fraternity houses and residence halls, but felt that a keypad might be more feasible for guests, who don't have an ID, and students who might not have their student ID on them at all times.

Perhaps the most controversial change proposed is the police department's moving back to the Circle (where it had existed previously, before being moved to its present location in Gilkeson House). Stimpert stated that the opening of the Student Center will create a lot of unused spaces on campus. He said that Financial Aid will potentially move to the current Post Office, leaving the Bush House available for our police department. The motivations behind the police department's move to the Circle include their being a deterrent for potential troublemakers and that they will be able more easily to control flows of traffic on busy evenings.

Walden and Kurz had opposing views regarding this change. Walden was supportive of the change, saying that "I think it will keep the right people on the circle." When asked if this change might dampen anyone's experience, he stated "I don't think anyone should let it do that… This might even make patrols less common. If they're there, they don't need to be driving around the circle nonstop. If they get a call, they're there." Kurz was slightly skeptical of the effectiveness of the proposed plan. He said that he understood the rationale behind the change, "but most of the crime that happens on the circle is either in short bursts – such as a fight – or noticed far later than the actual event, such as a robbery. I don't think the location of the police station would make a noticeable dent in these crimes happening, but I also trust in their ability to continue to play a key role in the great experiences we have here."

When asked if the school should be solving the problem differently, Kurz called out to his fellow brothers to solve the problem. "I think that the student body as a whole could do better with maintaining peace on the circle by controlling who enters their parties and not resorting to violence to solve problems" he said. "Fights are bound to happen at an all-male college, but when they are happening between uninvited guests and our own brothers then that's a real concern. If police surveillance of who enters the Circle is combined with student-led efforts to avoid mass conflict, then I think we have a solid plan in action."

SPORTS

Tennis Aces Opponents, Golf Settles into Spring Campaign

Spencer Connell '17
Sports Editor

Both the H-SC Golf and Tennis teams kicked into high gear for the spring as golf resumed their season in the lowcountry of South Carolina and Georgia while tennis is off to a 6-1 start, and an undefeated run in the conference so far.

Over Spring Break the golf team travelled to Dataw Island, South Carolina for the TaylorMade-Adidas Intercollegiate over March 13th and 14th. Collectively, the Tigers tied for second in the event with Carnegie Mellon at +68. Freshman Bruce Shober finished ninth by shooting +12 while junior Parker Smith finished sixteenth, sixteen over par. It was a decent start to the spring season for the golf team before they traveled to Georgia for their second Spring break event.

On March 17th and 18th, the Tigers partook in the Jekyll Island Invitational, finishing twelfth at +38. The event was littered with top-25 schools, so a top-fifteen finish is not too shabby for H-SC. Parker Smith just missed the top-twenty individually with his +6 performance while sophomore Jamie Agnew went eight over par to finish 35th. All in all, H-SC golf is in a good position heading into the next event, the Lynchburg Invitational March 27th and 28th.

Meanwhile on the tennis courts, the Tigers have been serving non-stop aces en route to an historic 6-1 start to their 2017 season. Convincing victories over Lynchburg, Shenandoah, St. Mary's of Maryland, and Virginia State have propelled the Tigers to one of their best starts in a long time. Some significant highlights from these first seven matches include sweeping the doubles matches against Lynchburg in late February, as well as completing doubles sweeps against every opponent except Salisbury and Ferrum.

Key players to keep an eye on this season include freshman twins Matthew and Michael Moody. The Moody twins are the #1 doubles team for the Tigers, and they have provided a significant amount of productivity for the team. In fact, Matthew Moody earned ODAC Tennis Player of the Week honors for his performances against Salisbury and Virginia State. Moody helped H-SC to a 1-1 week during Spring Break as he picked up victories in doubles and singles matches.

Moody and the rest of the squad will have a three-match homestand as Washington & Lee will visit on March 23rd, Guilford will pay a visit on March 25th, and the Prince Edward Showdown against Longwood is slated for March 30th.

Lacrosse

17-8 trouncing of Southern Virginia. The Tigers jumped out to score 17 of the first 19 goals of the game and held a commanding lead throughout the game. Brown tallied eight points with a hat trick and five assists. Morris scored four goals and added an assist, Pool registered a hat trick, and Levin netted two goals with two assists. Shaheen, Hayden, and sophomores Seasmus Byrne and John Burke each scored once and tallied an assist as well.

This momentum carried over into the Tigers last matchup of Spring Break versus the Hornets of Shenandoah. The Tigers won 17-8 as Brown and Levin both notched the 100th points of their careers, a huge milestone. "It's a nice feeling to break that threshold," Brown said on his accomplishment, "but it's something I could have never done without my teammates. They deserve the credit." Hampden-Sydney jumped out to a commanding 9-3 lead at halftime and they continued to pile it on in the third quarter going up 14-4. Shenandoah would fight back to make the lead 14-8, but the Tigers scored the final three goals in the fourth quarter to solidify the victory. Levin scored six goals, Brown dished out four assists while adding two scores, Shaheen scored four goals, and Morris added three goals. Booth and senior Jared Arntzen went 9 of 13 and 6-9 on face-offs respectively, while Renfrow was a force in the net making nine saves. Hampden-Sydney outshot Shenandoah 53 to 30 and dominated the game in almost every facet. "We're working to beat some of the best competition in my four years," Arntzen said. "Saturday's game was against the best Shenandoah team I have seen."

This trouncing of Shenandoah puts the Tigers at 1-1 in ODAC play with an excellent chance to make a run for an ODAC title. "We had an up and down start to the season in the out of conference games, but we are confident we can get wins in the ODAC and still host the tournament this year." Brown said. Shaheen echoed many of the same thoughts: "I think winning an ODAC title is absolutely attainable this season. Looking ahead, I think we can clinch a #1 or #2 seed in the ODAC tournament."

The Tigers made it three straight on Wednesday, beating Sewanee 12-6, thanks to eight points from Levin on six goals, as well as fifteen saves from Renfrow.

Up next for the Tigers is a rivalry game, as they will play host to Randolph-Macon at 1:00 PM on Saturday March 25th.

Baseball

the game as H-SC held on to the victory.

The next day the Tigers hit the road to play against Methodist. Goodwyn made another statement at the plate with a third inning home run that sparked the H-SC offense. The game was tied at three until Counts, Gothe, and junior Devin Daugherty all tallied RBIs to propel H-SC into safe territory in the top of the 8th. The game would finish in the Tigers' favor, 6-3, their third straight victory.

On the 11th, H-SC traveled to Lexington for a doubleheader against Washington & Lee, only to be swept 6-0 in game one, and 9-8 in game two. Game two went into extra innings, only to end in the twelfth thanks to a terrible blunder: a bases-loaded walk.

On March 15th the road trip continued, this time the stop was in Greensboro, North Carolina to take on Greensboro College. The Pride proved to be too much as they handed the Tigers their third straight loss, 10-3. Greensboro had a six-run eighth inning that put the game out of reach. The next day the Tigers returned to Ferrum to face the Panthers one more time. In another high-octane game, the Tigers pulled off the season sweep with a 12-8 victory. Once again, Goodwyn dominated the opposing pitching staff with a 4-6 showing, including a three-run homerun in the top of the fifth inning. Tyler Blevins went 2-4, and senior Cody Smith went 2-3 with an RBI.

The Tigers returned home for a three game stint on March 18th for another ODAC doubleheader. This time, Emory & Henry was in town, but the two teams split the doubleheader with game one going to H-SC 10-0 and game two to E&H 5-4. In game one, Mayberry stood tall on the mound only allowing five hits in his complete game. He struck out six Wasps and only walked one. From the plate, Blevins, Maitland, and sophomore Jacob Fontana all tallied RBIs. In game two, the Tigers pulled out to a two-run lead after the first inning, but the Wasps waited until the sixth to answer back with four unanswered runs over the sixth and seventh innings.

H-SC got back to their winning ways with a 4-3 win over Frostburg State on March 19th. All four of the Tigers runs came in the sixth inning, thanks to runs from sophomore Cory Allgood, Counts, Fontana, and Sutphin. Senior Michael Flanagan picked up his second save of the season after shutting down the Bobcats in the ninth.

The Tigers began their four-game road stretch on Wednesday with a 9-2 win over Lynchburg, improving to 2-3 in ODAC play. Looking ahead, the Tigers will travel to Georgia for a three game set with LaGrange over the course of the 24th and 25th.

ODAC Pitcher of the Week: Freshman Chase Mayberry (Photo: hscathletics.com)

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Lacrosse Sits at 7-3 Heading into Heart of ODAC Play

Junior Hunter Brown was named ODAC Player of the Week for the second time this season on Monday. (Photo: hscathletics.com)

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The Hampden-Sydney lacrosse team has played six games in the month of March, including three while the student body was on Spring Break. Prior to the break, the Tigers took on #7 in the nation Cabrini and Ohio Northern. While many students were enjoying warmer temperatures and the week off of class, the Tigers took on Washington & Lee and traveled to Southern Virginia, and Shenandoah, before returning to host Sewanee on Wednesday. When the dust settled the Tigers finished the six-game stretch 4-2 and 1-1 in ODAC play.

There were few highlights for the Tigers in their matchup with Cabrini. The Tigers were outshot 42 to 29 and had 29 turnovers to Cabrini's 14. Seniors Luc Cassier and Duncan Morris each scored two goals, sophomore Jack Doetzer contributed two assists, sophomore Mitch Renfrow made 16 saves, and junior Wilson Booth won 7 of 11 face-offs. Potentially the biggest highlight of the day was sophomore Quinn Ainslie's shot from the other side of the field that caught an unprepared goalie by surprise as Quinn netted his first collegiate goal.

The following Sunday the Ohio Northern Polar Bears came to town to take on the Tigers. Hampden-Sydney jumped out of the gates to produce a 4-1 lead, and this momentum was kept for most of the game, as the Tiger lead never fell below two goals. Junior Chandler Shaheen registered four goals and an assist, junior Hunter Brown netted three goals and one assist, freshman Jack Hayden scored twice, junior Ian Levin also added a goal with two assists, and junior Connor Pool added a goal and an assist of his own. Booth once again set the tone as the Tigers won 14 of 25 face-offs. Hampden-Sydney dominated the stat sheet in terms of groundballs and shots, and began to correct the turnover issues that plagued the team in the first half versus Ohio Northern.

Unfortunately much of the momentum built in the Ohio Northern game was extinguished when the Tigers met the Generals of Washington & Lee. The first half was a back and forth battle. H-SC would come out of the opening half with the lead 6-5 off of goals from Pool, Levin, Brown, and Shaheen, but the Generals were able to regain the lead 9-8 heading into the fourth quarter. W&L extended the lead to 11-8 in the fourth quarter, and the Tigers eventually fell 12-9. Bright spots for the Tigers included Shaheen netting four goals and adding one assist, Pool tallying a hat trick with an assist, Brown dishing out three assists and a goal, and Renfrow recording 14 saves. The Tigers may have outshot W&L but the shots on goal differential told a different story, with W&L having ten more than Hampden-Sydney.

The Tigers quickly bounced back the following Wednesday with a

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Baseball Goes Back and Forth in March

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While everyone has focused on their brackets, travel plans, and enjoyed some down time in March, the Hampden-Sydney Baseball team has been busy on the diamond as key ODAC games lie ahead.

Since late February, the Tigers have gone 9-7 through 16 games that run the gamut of scores from close one-run differences to significant blowouts. The high-scoring games can be attributed to pitchers missing their marks and batter taking advantage of those mistakes, along with a string of errors and walks that can spark "rally innings," according to sophomore second baseman Shane Arceo.

Back in late February, the annual Floyd B. Wilcox Tournament the Tigers hosted Southern Virginia, Moravian, and Stevenson over the course of the weekend. On the first day of the tournament, February 24th, H-SC dominated Southern Virginia 15-1. Junior Bryan Goodwyn provided a critical contribution to the Tiger offense with a seventh inning home run that capped off his four RBI day at the plate. Senior Ryan Peevey went 2-3 and had two RBIs to his name, as well. Freshman pitcher Chase Mayberry had a strong 8-inning performance on the mound as he only allowed one run off of seven hits, and he struck out four Southern Virginia batters.

The next day against Moravian, H-SC fell 12-4, but tallied eleven hits on the day. Senior Dustin Wiles had two RBIs thanks to his 2-5 performance, while juniors Goodwyn and Moe Gothe were each 2-4. Freshman Chase Counts went 2-3 and tallied an RBI, as well.

On the final day of action, the Tigers had a slugfest against Stevenson that lasted until the seventh inning due to darkness at 7pm. H-SC prevailed 15-12, and sophomore Jason Maitland had a field day at the plate with a 4-4 outing, tallying five RBIs as well as a double. Peevey went 2-3 and knocked a run in, and fellow senior Joey Sutphin was 2-2 with two RBIs. The bottom of the fifth inning was the proverbial "rally inning" for the Tigers as they scored ten runs to regain the lead from Stevenson for good as the sun inched closer to the horizon.

The team only had one day of rest before hosting Christopher Newport on February 28th. Unfortunately, CNU was victorious, handing the Tigers a 5-2 loss. It was not a good day for the H-SC batters, who were fooled by CNU's pitching and struck out nine times. However, the Tigers' pitching staff combined to strikeout 8 CNU batters on the day.

Luckily, H-SC was able to rest for a few days as the calendars flipped over to March, and on the 4th, the Averett Cougars paid a visit to Ty Cobb Ballpark for a doubleheader. In game one, the Tigers suffered another loss, 11-0. However, game two proved to be better for H-SC as they blanked Averett 5-0. Mayberry had a complete game on the mound, only allowing two hits in seven innings while striking out 9 Cougars. A four-run fifth inning for the Tigers proved to be the go-ahead moment that sealed the victory, snapping a short two game losing streak.

The final game of the early-season homestand was on March 7th against Ferrum. In another high-scoring affair, the Tigers prevailed 14-11. Counts had 5 RBIs, including a grand slam in the bottom of the 2nd. Other top performers included Gothe's two RBI day, Maitland's three RBI performance while batting 3-3, and sophomore Tyler

Blevins's 1-3 day that included an RBI. The Panthers mounted a comeback that fell short in the late stages of

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